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MANN FAMILY PLANS REUNION AT HIS TESTIMONIAL DINNER

James T. Mann, prominent Watsonville labor leader who will be honored at a testimonial dinner at Loma Linda, near Watsonville, on November 2, will take part in a reunion of his immediate family at the party also, it was disclosed last week.

Mann's brother, Robert W. Ward, will come from Paso Robles, with his family, while their sister, Mrs. Ruth Maddox, will also be in town for the occasion. Bro. Mann's wife and daughter will complete the family reunion group.

Anticipating a sellout crowd for the dinner party, the Watsonville Labor Council, sponsoring group, has decided that all council delegates shall be named as a special reception committee for the event. A host and hostess will be named later, but reception will be in the hands of the council as a whole, it was stated.

Santa Cruz Labor Council, which previously announced it would pay

for the dinner for all delegates who wished to attend the dinner, has voted also to adjourn its meeting on the night of November 2, in respect to Bro. Mann and to make it easier for delegates torn between duty to attend the council meeting and desire to join in the tribute.

According to Secretary Hazel K. Shireman of the Watsonville council, ticket sales have been unusually brisk. She warned again that persons planning to attend should get their tickets (\$3.50 per person) at once from the Watsonville Labor Temple, from the Watsonville Chamber of Commerce office, which is supporting the testimonial, or from Bill Pedigo, labor press representative.

Mrs. Shireman stressed that just calling in for a reservation will be insufficient, because of the number wanting tickets. Those planning to attend should secure their tickets, not trust that some will be available on the night of the party. Loma Linda cannot seat more than about 350 for the dinner.

High officials of the California State Building Trades Council will be in attendance and have ordered tickets already. Officers of the State Federation of Labor, headed by Thomas A. Small, vice president of this district, will be present. Anthony Aguirre, secretary of the California State Association of Barbers, will attend. International representatives of the Carpenters Union have signified intention to join in the affair.

While the committee in charge of arranging entertainment has started work on preparing a special show for the evening, it was announced that toastmaster for the dinner will be William B. (Bill) Pedigo, labor press news editor, creator and commentator for a San Jose A. F. of L. radio program weekly, and for many years a close friend of Bro. Mann.

The labor leader, personal friend of President Harry S. Truman and schoolboy playmate with the President and his wife and other national dignitaries, is retiring from his post as representative of Carpenters Union 771 of Watsonville, after 37 years of service. During this time he has served nearly every labor organization in the Watsonville area as representative, advisor or in similar capacities.

1. Get Them All Registered! 2. Get Out Good Candidates!

Carpenters 925 Enjoy Picnic At Arroyo Seco

Members of Carpenters Union 925 of Salinas and members of Carpenters' Ladies Auxiliary 373 held their annual picnic on Sunday, September 23, at Miller's Lodge in Arroyo Seco, with about 100 unionists and guests in attendance.

There were games and races of all descriptions, plus swimming and impromptu entertainment. Carpenters came from as far as Santa Cruz to participate in the event.

Bill Barr was chairman of the party, his co-workers including Don Halcomb and Gus Nelson. Barr also was in charge of the games.

Mrs. Roy Brayton, publicity chairman for the Ladies Auxiliary, reported a partial list of those attending as including:

Business Agent Harvey Baldwin of Local 925 and Mr. Baldwin, Auxiliary President Mrs. Velma Halcomb and her husband, Donald Halcomb; and the Messrs and Mesdames G. A. Nelson, Herbert Nelson, William Pilliar, Frank Wenzinger, Ross Reece, Roy E. Brayton, R. Slimmon, Jack Rolfstead, A. Anderson, R. F. Rhenigars, Robert L. Wilson, Nelson A. Kroner, George Vallance, Robert Yoho, Thomas H. Mill, E. Roetger, Russell Jeska, Albert Jeska, Herman Norris, E. Norris.

C. A. Curtis, E. G. Jackson, William Barr, C. R. Helms, M. Hutchins; Office Secretary Mrs. Margaret Brown, and the Misses Dale Curry and Charlotte Genardini, and others.

Next meeting of Ladies Auxiliary 373 will be held Tuesday night (Oct. 9) at which time initiation of new members will be highlight of the evening. Mrs. G. A. Nelson, Herbert Nelson and Irma Cameron are on the committee to make arrangements for the evening.

For a listening treat, hear Frank Edwards regularly.

(AFL Release)
San Francisco. — AFL members face two immediate tasks.

First, they should register the vote, and get their families and friends registered.

Second, wherever possible they should start exerting influence on both parties to put up good candidates for the 1952 congressional elections.

These two major points stood out in a report adopted by the administrative committee of Labor's League for Political Education. The league held its annual meeting Sept. 24 during the AFL 70th convention.

The administrative committee warned AFL members to be on guard against an even more vicious and bigger smear campaign than that conducted by reactionaries in 1950. It urged local leagues to publicize the records of candidates. It said in part:

EXPOSE KNOWLAND!

"For example, Senator Knowland of California has convinced many that he is a leading authority on how to lick the 'Commies' in the Orient. But again there is the question: Is Knowland really doing as good a job as he talks? After all, we are all against Communism just as we are all against sin. But talk is cheap."

"What the California league must do is get the eyes of California voters on Knowland's record of action. Here is his record on defense mobilization straight from the standard LLPE voting guide: Knowland voted wrong 10 times out of 11 votes."

"He voted against both economic aid and military aid to Korea. He voted against the Voice of America. He voted against Point IV which is our best bet in the Orient. He voted against price control last year and against rollbacks this year. He voted against troops for Europe and against war contract renegotiation.

THE BIG SMOKESCREEN

"The reason Knowland seeks publicity on foreign issues is to smokescreen his anti-American domestic record."

"If he can, Knowland will keep all eyes on Chiang Kai-shek next year and hope that his fellow Californians will forget his vicious amendment to the Social Security Act scuttling federal safeguards over unemployment insurance."

"A recent survey made by Aldric Revell, Madison, Wis., newspaper writer, showed that in Madison only 46 per cent of the 3434 AFL members are registered. Of the 400 members of one building trades local in Madison, only 80 voted in 1950."

"There is no question that we have the votes to elect a friendly Congress in 1952, but those votes are purely potential. Registration drives should be commenced whenever they are not being carried on now."

"Of the 33 Senate seats up in 1952, 13 seats are held by Senators opposed to Taft-Hartley. All these seats are relatively secure. On the other hand there is an excellent chance of defeating several of the 20 anti-labor incumbents. A net gain of nine seats is needed to get a friendly Senate majority."

"On the House side the prospects for net gains are also good. Of the 114 vulnerable marginal districts, 66 are held by enemies of labor, and only 48 by friends. We will need a net increase of at least 36 seats for a friendly majority."

"Wherever possible our leagues

Ozols Retires As IBEW Agent; Miles Elected

Karl G. Ozols, business manager and financial secretary of Salinas Electrical Workers Union 243 for several years, has retired from this post to accept a personnel post with Kaiser Engineers Co. for a big project in New Orleans, La.

Chosen as his successor to the union office is Dial H. Miles, former executive board member and committee member of the union who has been employed at the Stone & Webster Corporation's PG&E project. Miles has been in Local 243 for the past five years. Miles has started the duties of his new office already, assisted by Ozols, who does not leave until Friday.

The union was completing arrangements last weekend for a farewell party for Ozols on Tuesday night of this week in Salinas, place not then decided. International Vice President Oscar Harbach of San Mateo and International Representative Otto Reiman of San Francisco were to attend.

Ozols, who served as union president prior to his selection as business manager, accepted the personnel post for the construction of an aluminum reduction plant at Los Angeles. He will leave Friday, but will return within the month to get his wife, Mary, and their daughter who will make their home in New Orleans henceforth.

NAVY HOUSING PROJECT BEGINS NEAR MONTEREY

A \$6,000,000 housing project for officers and personnel of the navy school at Del Monte, near Monterey, was started last week by the Alliance Co. of Pasadena, general contractors.

With union members called to the project in good numbers, William Booker, of Carpenters Union 1323, was named carpenter foreman, and J. W. Bishop, of Laborers Union 690, was named as labor foreman.

The project, located behind Monterey Peninsula College and near the navy school, will include 178 individual units and 500 apartment units, according to S. M. Thomas, business agent of Laborers Union 690.

Brush burning for the site was under way on a 24-hour basis with a crew of laborers hired by Granite Construction Co., which also will have the work of paving, curbs and gutters, according to spokesmen.

should start exerting influence on both parties to put up good candidates.

"Our task both in the Southern Democratic primaries and in the general elections in the north will be to keep the city workingman's attention on the bread and butter issues and not on the false issues and the misrepresentations that our opposition will raise."

CULINARY-BAR UNION MERGED; NEW OFFICERS IN

Culinary Alliance 467 and Bartenders Union 545 at Salinas went out of existence on Monday of this week, with all members entering the new amalgamated organization, Culinary Alliance and Bartenders Union 355.

New officers were to be installed by international union representatives at a Monday night meeting, with Virgil K. Knight as vice president and Alfred J. Clark as secretary-manager.

Clark said offices and headquarters of the new local would continue in the Labor Temple until the union's executive board has met and set up plans for conduct of union business.

AFL ON FINANCES

Expenses for fiscal year ending August 31 exceeded receipts—\$4,060,850 as against \$3,811,800—thus reducing balance from \$1,198,994 a year ago to \$949,944.

YOUR LABOR PAPER

"Were it not for the labor press, the labor movement would not be what it is today, and any man who tries to injure a labor paper is a traitor to the cause."

—Samuel Gompers.

HEARING DUE IN FARM UNION STRIKE PLEA

Probability that there will be a big hearing on the request of the National Farm Labor Union Council at Salinas for blanket strike sanction against growers and shippers in the Salinas-Soledad-Gonzales area was seen last week as the Central Labor Council referred the union's strike request to its Organizing and Negotiating Committee.

Carl Lara, spokesman for the farm unions and former council present, formally asked the Organizing and Negotiating Committee to call such a meeting, according to A. J. Clark, secretary of the labor council.

Lara asked that Jack Bias, secretary of the Growers Association; Sid Church, attorney for the growers, and Ray Ladra, of the Salinas Marketing and Co-operative, Inc., be asked to attend the meeting which would be for the purpose of showing cause why the union

should not be allowed the strike action it is considering.

Members of the council's Organizing and Negotiating Committee include Council President R. A. Wood, Secretary A. J. Clark, Business Manager Harvey Baldwin of Carpenters 925, and Robert Shinn, of Butchers 506. Lara's suggestion for the hearing was made at a special meeting of the committee last week.

The farm labor unions have submitted a lengthy list of growers and shippers against which it wishes strike sanction. Any hearing would be open to any representative of these employers, to officials of all unions involved in event of a strike, and to others who might be interested, Clark explained, in accordance with the Council's constitution and by-laws.

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Business at the Labor Council meeting of September 21 included:

Introduction of Mrs. Albert Har-

ris, wife of the late president of Teamsters Union 890, who passed away at the height of his labor career, who was a visitor, coming with Mrs. Carmen Kenyon, delegate from Butchers Union 506 and wife of W. G. Kenyon, a Teamster business agent.

Obligation of N. Norris, new delegate from Carpenters Union 925.

Adoption of several resolutions sent from the State Federation of Labor convention.

Suggestion by Carl Lara that the council set up an Educational Committee to assist the council and unions in compiling information on various labor topics and in helping disseminate such information to union members.

Carl Helms, delegate from Carpenters 925, urged all unions to elect delegates who will attend labor council meetings, pointing out that a number of unions are seldom represented in council meetings.

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BARBERS 827—Meets 3rd Tuesday at Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., at 8 p.m. Pres., Lewis Conine, 36 W. Alisal, phone 5591; Rec. Sec., D. L. Hill, 20 W. Gabilan, phone 9085; Fin. Sec., Jimmie Butler, 418 Monterey Ave., phone 3504.

BARTENDERS 545—Meets 1st and 3rd Mondays at 8 p.m. at Salinas Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St. Sec.-Bus. Agt., Al J. Clark, 117 Pajaro St., phone 4633; Pres., Virgil K. Knight, office 117 Pajaro St. Phone 4633.

BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL OF MONTEREY COUNTY—Meets 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 8 p.m. at 315 Alvarado St., Monterey. Pres., William K. Grubbs, 76 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove, Rec. Sec., Harry Foster, Box 424, Marina, phone Mont. 2-3002; Monterey office, 315 Alvarado, phone 5-6744.

BUTCHERS 506 (Salinas Branch)—Meets 1st Monday, Carpenters Hall, 8 p.m. Pres., Geo. Johnson, 348 Cayuga St.; Sec. Bob Johnson, 217 Dadaro Dr.; Exec. Sec., Earl A. Moorhead; Bus. Agt., E. L. Courtright, 1897 Ellen Ave., San Jose, ph. CYpress 5-3849. Hollister—Gilroy Branch—Pres., Richard Santa, 122 Vine St.; Hollister, Rec. Sec., Harold Johnson, Rt. 2, Box 139, Hollister, ph. 4355. Main office, 45 Santa Teresia Ave., San Jose, phone CYpress 3-0252.

CALIFORNIA STATE FEDERATION OF LABOR—C. J. Haggerty, Secretary & Legislative Representative, 810 David Hewes Bldg., 995 Market St., San Francisco 3; phone SUtter 1-2838. District Vice-President, Thomas A. Small, office 306 Seventh Ave., San Mateo; phone Diamond 4-7609.

CARPENTERS 925—Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., Carpenters Hall, Pres., Herbert Nelson, Fin. Sec. and Bus. Agt., Harvey Baldwin, 556 San Benito, phone Salinas 6716, Rec. Sec., A. O. Miller, Hall and office, 422 N. Main St., phone 9293.

CARPENTERS 1279 (King City)—Meets 1st and 3rd Fridays at King City Carpenters Hall, Pres., Bill Young, phone 376-J. Sec., A. W. Reiger, 411 South San Lorenzo Ave., phone 694-W. Bus. Agt., San Ardo, phone 2652.

CARPENTERS AUXILIARY 373—Meets 8nd Tuesday, Carpenters Hall, 8 p.m., Pres., Mrs. Donald Halcomb, 244 Lang St., phone 8517; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Roy E. Brayton, 323/4 Central, phone 5416; Fin. Sec., Mrs. Wm. Pilliar, 23 Prunedale Rd., phone 9902. Office, 323/4 Central, phone 5416.

CARPENTERS DISTRICT COUNCIL—Meets 2nd Tuesday, alternating between Santa Cruz, Watsonville, Salinas, Monterey, King City, 8 p.m. Pres., Harvey Baldwin, ph. Salinas 6923; V. Pres., Geo. Colby, ph. Santa Cruz 6095; Sec.-Treas., Leo Thintgen, ph. Monterey 5-6726; office, 462A Main St., Watsonville, ph. 4-9403.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION (Monterey County), Salinas—Meets every Friday at 8 p.m., at 117 Pajaro St. Pres., R. A. Wood, Sec.-Treas., Alfred J. Clark, office at Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., Salinas, phone 7787.

CULINARY ALLIANCE 467—Meets 2nd Monday at 2:00 p.m. and 4th Monday at 8:00 p.m. at Salinas Labor Temple. Pres., Alan Meeks; Sec., Bertha Boles, Office, Gilkberg Bldg., 6 West Gabilan St., phone 6209.

DRY CLEANERS 258-B—Meets 2nd Thursday, Pres., Merlin Davis, 517 Roosevelt St. Sec.-Treas., Josephine Jones, 674 E. Market, phone 2-0871; Receiver, Lawrence Palacios, 2940 16th St., San Francisco, phone MA 1-3336.

ELECTRICAL WORKERS 243—Meets 1st Wednesdays; Executive Board, 3rd Wednesday, 117 Pajaro St. Pres., Alvin Ester, 915 W. Laurel Dr., phone 2-3273; Fin. Sec. and Bus. Mgr., Karl E. Ozios, office 117 Pajaro St., phone 2-2886.

ENGINEERS (Stationary) 39—Meets 3rd Wednesday, 117 Pajaro, Salinas, 8 p.m. Pres., Frank Brantley; Sec., Leo J. Derby; Mgr., C. C. Fitch, Bus. Agt., R. A. Christensen, Rm. 483, Porter Bldg., San Jose, phone CYpress 2-6393; Main office, 474 Valencia St., San Francisco, phone UNDERhill 1-1135.

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JOINT EXECUTIVE BOARD, Bartenders 545 and Culinary Alliance 467—Meets 2nd Wednesdays, 2:30 p.m., Labor Temple, Pres., Bertha A. Boles, phone 6209; Sec., A. J. Clark, 117 Pajaro St., phone 4633.

LABORERS 272—Meets 2nd Monday at Salinas Labor Temple, 4th Monday at Sod-odad Forrester's Hall, Pres., R. Fenchel, 146 Hitchcock Rd., phone 5810, office 6939. Sec., J. F. Mattos, 102 Toro, phone 6777. Bus. Agt., Wray D. Emple, Labor Temple, 1177 Pajaro, phone 6777.

LATHERS 122—Meets 3rd Friday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Wm. Krane, R. 6, Bx. 513, Watsonville, ph. 4-6262; Sec. & B. A. Ronald Hodges, 612 Wilson, Salinas, ph. 2-2906.

LAUNDRY WORKERS 258—Meets 3rd Thursday at Salinas Labor Temple, at 7:30 p.m. Pres., Hazel Skewes, 1314 2nd Ave., Sec.-Treas., Grace MacRossie, 59-1st Ave. Receiver, Lawrence Palacios, 2940 16th St., San Francisco, phone MA 1-2336, Office, 117 Pajaro St., phone 6209.

MECHANICS AND MACHINISTS 1824—Meets 1st Tuesday, Executive Board, 2nd Thursday, Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Alex Day, res. 611 Doss Ave., phone 2-3775; Fin. Sec., L. W. Parker, 1429 Wren St., phone Salinas 9494.

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PAINTERS 1104—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 117 Pajaro St., 7:30 p.m. Pres., Otis Sleeper, 54 Oregon, phone 2-3992; Rec. Sec., L. W. Wendelin, 649 E. Alisal; Fin. Sec. and B. A. Peter A. Greco, home, 417 Lincoln; office, 117 Pajaro, phone 8783.

PLASTERERS 763—Meets 2nd Weds., 4th Thurs., Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Roy T. Jones, 148 Pine, phone 5530; Rec. and B. A., Carl Smith, home phone 2-2565; office, Labor Temple, phone 6777.

PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS 503—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, Salinas Moose Hall, 7:30 p.m. (Ex. Board meets every Tuesday, 7 p.m.) Pres., Ray Hopper; Fin. Sec. and B. A., E. R. Arbuckle, office, Labor Temple, phone 2-3517.

POSTAL CARRIERS 1046—Meets 3rd Wednesday, Woman's Civic Club, 8 p.m. Pres., L. J. Mullins, 352 Sequoia St. ph. 4404; Sec., Richard LaFayette, 300 River Rd., phone 9973.

PRESSMEN 328 (Monterey Bay Area Printing Pressmen & Ass'ts. Union)—Meets 3rd Monday of month at Salinas at 8 p.m. Pres., Harry Wingard 950 Colton, Monterey; Sec.-Treas., Robert P. Meders, 151 Toro Ave., Salinas.

RETAIL CLERKS 839—Meets 2nd Wednesday, Women's City Club, 8 p.m. Pres., Lawrence Vestal, 406 Calif. St., phone 6624; Sec. and B. A., Harold F. Miller, 206 Alisal St., phone 2-3366; office, 6 W. Gabilan St., Rm. 1, phone 9493.

ROOFERS 50—Meets 2nd Friday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Geo. Sekels, 701 Ocean View, Pacific Grove; Sec. and B. A., Fred O. Davis, 240 Plateau Ave., S. Cruz, phone 4330-R.

SHEET METAL WORKERS 304—Meets 1st Friday alternately at Castroville and Watsonville. (This local has jurisdiction over Monterey and Santa Cruz counties.) Pres., John Alsop, Pacific Grove, phone Monterey 2-3825; Rec. Sec., Ray Kalbal, Box 250, Boulder Creek; Fin. Sec., Roy Opfer, 924 East St., Salinas, phone 9274; Bus. Rep., Harry Foster, Box 424, Marina. Office phone Monterey 5-6744.

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Women Mark 15th Year

San Francisco.—The American Federation of Women's Auxiliaries of Labor is 15 years old.

The movement, created in 1936, is making steady progress, the executive board of the AFL Union Label Trades Department reported to the 43rd annual department convention.

The officials and members of women's auxiliaries have been especially helpful in all campaigns for the union-label, shop card and union button," the board said.

The housewife usually spends almost all of the union-earned money in the home and thereby she becomes a very important factor in demanding union-label goods and union services.

"A strong organization of wives, mothers, sisters and daughters of AFL members would be a powerful ally in all battles for better working conditions and higher living standards for the entire labor movement."

San Francisco (LPA)—Warning that "inflation can destroy this country just as effectively as a military attack," Economic Stabilizer Eric Johnston told the AFL convention: "We are in the lull before the typhoon hits—but we know what's coming."

Predicting that 1952 will see the start of the crucial battle against inflation, he said there will be a shortage of consumer goods because of military demands, plus a \$20 billion increase next year in personal national income.

Johnston Warns AFL
Of Inflation "Typhoon"

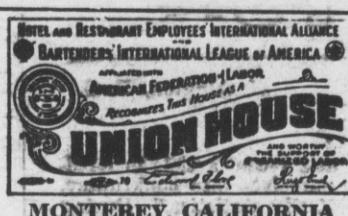
San Francisco (LPA)—Warning

"Welfare State" Benefits Thousands By Government Aid

Editor William Evjue of the Madison (Wis.) Capital Times recently pointed out some of the benefits of

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Local 483 Reports



LET'S ALL TAKE AN ACTIVE PART!

There are about 50 or 60 members of Local 483 who always attend our meetings and who take an active part in the welfare of our union. These members are ever ready to devote their time and energy for the progress of the union, for the betterment of our living conditions, and for the improvement of our standard of living.

These members realize that in order for our union to obtain the above mentioned gains, there is much more to the obligation of the union member than just the payment of monthly dues. It is these members who blaze the trail for those who sit passively by.

ALL MEMBERS share alike in any gains made by the union. The efforts of these few, therefore, manage to bring about some gains which could be increased greatly if the remaining 450 members would devote just a little more time and effort to the interests of Local 483, if the remaining 450 members would make just a little more attempt to keep abreast of the union current events.

Officers of our union certainly like to see the hall packed for our meetings. The support of **EVERY MEMBER** in these times of inflationary prices and frozen wages is needed, and must be forthcoming—if we are to advance in our

struggle for a better and richer life.

Are YOU one of the 50—or one of the 450???

President Robert Harrington of Culinary-Bartenders Union 483 is on a temporary leave of absence from his job in Monterey. He currently is vacationing in Monterey, where his wife, Jean, has been working for several weeks.

OCTOBER MEETINGS

Regular meetings are Wednesday, October 3, 8:30 p.m., and Wednesday, October 17, 2:30 p.m., in Bartenders Hall, 315 Alvarado St. Refreshments after the October 3 meeting.

J. Herschel Morgan, of San Jose, vice president in this district for the California State Council of Culinary Workers and Bartenders, will be speaker at the October 3 meeting. He makes a good talk and you should be there to hear him.

Barney Doyle, past member of the executive board of Local 483, now is manager of the Kentucky Derby. He has donated five cases of beer for our refreshments party after the next meeting.

FOOD HANDLING

You can learn about sanitary food handling practices by attending some Food Handling Classes given by the Monterey County Department of Health at 555 Calle Principal, on Tuesdays during October.

Two session will be given each day—2 to 4 p.m. and 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Dates are October 2, 9, 16 and 23. Any member of Local 483 who attends at least one session each week will be awarded a special

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Washington. — Secretary of Labor Maurice J. Tobin cautioned prospective users of Mexican farm workers that they must discharge any "wetbacks" (those who enter the country illegally, usually by swimming the Rio Grande River) in their employ by Sept. 11 to be eligible to contract Mexican workers under the new migratory pact signed by the Mexican and United States governments on Aug. 11.

Mr. Tobin said that under the pact permission to bring in Mexican workers may be denied any employer who has "wetbacks" working for him 30 days after the agreement is signed. The pact provides also that after an employer has contracted for and is using Mexican farm workers under the agreement, his contract may be revoked and the workers removed if it is determined that he has illegal workers.

Shocking Rent Gouging

Washington (LPA)—"Shockingly bad housing and rent gouging" for Army, Navy and Marine personnel is nationwide. So a Senate preparedness subcommittee declared Sept. 24 in its second report, covering 15 camps, bases, and training stations.

Hearst Profits Down

In New York City, AFL and CIO unionists who have battled the anti-union policies of Hearst newspapers for years noted a strange irony. A few days before William Randolph Hearst died, a financial magazine revealed that the net income of Hearst Consolidated Publications for the first six months of the year dropped to \$1,322,000 compared to \$3,600,000 for the same period last year.

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High Time to Start Thinking

Americans who are gifted with the ability to think had better start doing some serious cogitating before all our rights and liberties, for which our forebears fought so valiantly, are destroyed. We live in a land where the will of the majority of our people can become the law whenever we say it plainly enough and in numbers sufficiently large to carry any election where the issues involved are up for decision.

During recent years practically every election, from the national arena to that of the smallest municipality, has reeked with smears until the average citizen is pretty much disgusted with almost all kinds of politics. Less than half of the electors eligible to vote turn out at the polls. In the case of those who do vote, an alarmingly large percentage are all muddled and befuddled in regard to issues and candidates appearing on their ballot.

Unless the American people start to give more serious consideration to their politics and how they vote they are in grave danger of losing out completely on the many rights and privileges they still enjoy, but which are steadily being taken from them by legislation and court decisions that slip into the records while the great mass of the American people are fast asleep and totally unconscious of what is happening.

Before anybody can act and vote intelligently on election day it is necessary to first do some honest-to-goodness studying and thinking about what and for whom they are voting. This must be done long before election. Start studying now on issues of 1952.

Opinions and Convictions

Too often people form opinions and reach conclusions on sadly inadequate foundations. In our day and age people are being asked every day by politicians and the press to jump at conclusions that belong in the category of being based on unfounded accusations.

A national campaign is in the making for 1952, at which time the planners seem to expect the American people to fall for smear campaigns against candidates they want to defeat, with no other object than to elect what could easily be even worse candidates. Elected and appointed officials in every department of government are being accused indiscriminately of being subversives.

In the very nature of things, the percentage of officials in government who in reality are traitors to our country is not likely to reach one per cent or anywhere near that number, yet whole political parties are being condemned and held up to the scorn of all people who inhabit the United States, because of a few convictions.

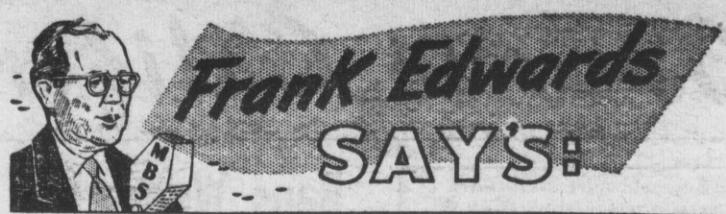
Anybody who knows anything at all about how things are must realize that with two political parties of approximately equal strength there will be just about as many crooks in one as in the other. No organization has a monopoly on crooks and subversives. Here and there they are liable to crop up in any organization, no matter how lofty its aims may be. Because criminals occasionally are located is no criterion by which to judge the far greater number of honorable people who may be members of such organizations. Opinions and convictions should always have a better foundation than unproven smears.

Issues That Hardly Exist

One of the political tricks resorted to by many politicians of the present day is to make an enormous hulabaloo about some unpopular group that has little or no significance at the present time for the reason that the actual number of cases that exist is not sufficient to be even worthy of mention. Yet everywhere these politicians are loudly condemning the small group that happens to be the object of their venom.

Rather than waste so much time and newspaper space on groups that are too small to deserve any particular attention, why do not more of these orators and writers get right down to serious consideration of the big issues that really confront us? In most cases the really important and serious issues that affect all of us are dodged entirely. Inflation, soaring of prices, lagging of wages, and other equally pressing issues are skipped entirely while the talkers prate about what we should be doing in foreign countries and who are subversives.

About all that our average citizen can hear these days is a lot of noise about issues and groups that have little or no existence, while the wrongs we all suffer from every day are ignored almost entirely. They talk much about matters that don't affect most people at all, but offer no solution of what is hurting nearly all of us.



Washington, D. C.

• "Butterfly Statistics" . . .

President Truman recently lashed out at a recent article in Reader's Digest that charged we were spending ourselves into bankruptcy. He charged that the article was full of "butterfly statistics." During his blast at the figure jugglers, the President pointed out that civilian government services, not connected with our national security, take only about 6 percent of our total national output and this year will take less than 6 percent. Over the past 5 years we have operated the government with a surplus of almost \$8 billions.

• "Butterfly Senators" . . .

President Truman's blast brought the reactionaries to their feet with a howl of indignation. Byrd, Capehart, Wherry and Taft joined the "butterfly" brigade. Senator Taft, it will be remembered, opposed the President's idea that the country should finance the defense effort on a pay-as-you-go basis. Paying as we go means reducing the profits of war production. Mr. Taft says this is nonsense.

• Wherry's Nonsense . . .

Senator Wherry (R., Neb.) joined in "We can't have a sound fiscal policy if we follow the path of Trumanism . . . the same path we have followed for the last 20 years . . ." Senator Wherry neglected to mention that the path he wants to follow began with the breadlines of 1932 . . . that it has been 20 years since we started to climb out of that chasm of despair. It hasn't been easy . . . and we've made some mistakes; but the one mistake we have not made is following the pied pipers of reaction back into the pit.

• Capers of Capehart:

The Senate Banking Committee is supposedly considering means of correcting the Capehart amendment to the Price Control Act. This is the amendment President Truman has asked the Senate to repeal because it will cost the public billions of dollars by inviting the big industries to jack up their prices through a legal loophole.

Peter Henle, AFL economist, blasted the committee tactics as a fraud on the American public. Said Mr. Henle: "Your proposed modification would change the language, but not the nature of it." It would eliminate the name of the Capehart amendment . . . but the odor would remain.

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JOKES, Etc.

A committee was appointed by one of the nationally known magazines to study the question of how best to hold a wife, and a selected list of husbands was queried. The only reply received was from a western penitentiary. It stated briefly: "I found the best was around the neck, but it shouldn't be overdone. Please note change of address."

Little Jimmy had spent his first day in school.

"What happened?" he was asked on his return home.

"Nothin'. A woman wanted to know how to spell 'cat' and I told her."

Traffic warning in a small Eastern Washington town: "Go slow. This is a one hearse town."

"Give me a pound of those plums. My husband is fond of them. Do you know if they have been sprayed with any kind of poison?"

"No, ma'am; you'll have to get that at the drug store."

The absent-minded professor walked into the barber shop, seated himself in the chair, and said: "Haircut please."

"Certainly," replied the AFL barber, "but would you mind removing your hat?"

"Oh," said the professor. "I'm sorry, but I didn't know there were ladies present."

Butch stood before the magistrate: "You are accused," droned the magistrate, "of walking into a restaurant, smashing the furniture, striking the waiter, and resisting arrest." He looked up. "Guilty or not guilty?"

Butch blushed. "You shouldn't ask me that," he murmured. "I'm prejudiced."

Head Clerk: "I am very sorry to hear of your partner's death. Would you like me to take his place?"

Manager: "Very much if you can get the undertaker to arrange it."

"Do you believe in heredity?"

"Most certainly I do. That's how I came into all my money."

"The man I marry must be a hero."

"Oh really, my dear, you're not that ugly."

"My wife has just had quinsy."

"Gosh. How many have you now?"

Professor—"Name the outstanding accomplishment of the Romans."

Student—"They understood Latin."

Professor—"Doesn't it make you sad to see your wife and daughters wearing hats decorated with the feathers of poor little birds?"

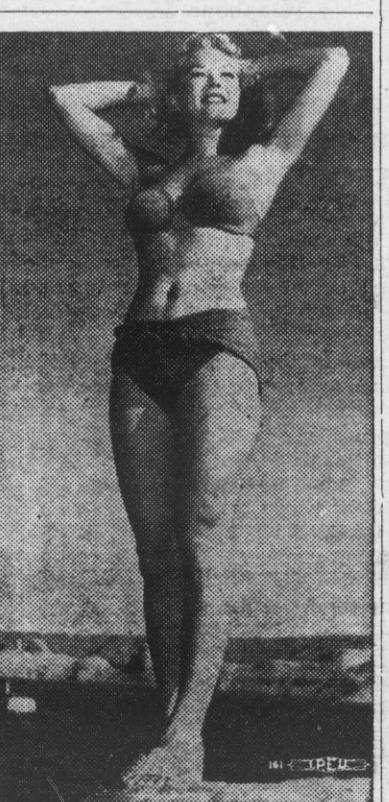
Married man—"It isn't the feathers of the poor little birds that make me sad. It's the bills."

"What will it cost me to have my car fixed?"

"What's the matter with it?"

"I don't know."

"Fifty-two dollars and 50 cents."



LADY OF THE LAKE—Michael Neal was given that title for the regatta races near Las Vegas, Nev. (LPA)



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The Social Security law imposes certain obligations on the worker or beneficiary. There are some actions you must take to insure full credit for earnings and prompt payment of benefits. First, of course, you must pay the social security tax, but since this is done automatically by your employer each quarter, you need take no direct action on this point.

However, be sure that your employer is reporting your earnings under your correct name and social security number. Compare your payroll receipt with your social security card. If the number is different, have your employer correct his records at once, so that you will receive full credit for your earnings.

Remember also to file an application when you retire at 65 or later, or upon the death of a member of your family who has worked under Social Security. Benefits are not paid automatically—you must apply for them. Failure to apply promptly could result in a loss of benefits to you, because monthly benefits can only be made retroactive six months.

After you start receiving social security benefits, you must notify the Social Security Administration if you earn over \$50 in any month on a job covered by social security. Your benefits may be suspended for additional months as a penalty if you fail to report such employment promptly.

This last item is directed especially to the ladies. Be sure to notify the Social Security Administration if you change your name because of marriage, divorce, or any other reason. It is necessary that the Social Security Administration be kept informed of these changes so they can properly credit you with all of your earnings.

Picket by Boats

In San Francisco, the first picketing of a U. S. President by water was planned by fishermen operating tuna boats from Alaska to the Mexican border. When President Truman announced he would attend the Japanese Peace Conference in San Francisco the fishermen said they would picket in San Francisco Bay in protest against American importation of inexpensive Japanese tuna.

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Your union recently mailed out a bulletin regarding this paper. In order to properly service our membership we are endeavoring to write a weekly column and expect this column to be read. We are faced with many problems locally and nationally which should be conveyed to you; so this avenue of the news is perhaps not perfect, but it will add to a service which we owe the membership of this union.

On Monday, Oct. 1, at 8 p.m., this union will conduct a broadcast which should be of great interest to all of our members and the public at large. We ask that you listen to KDON, 1460 on your dial, every Monday at 8 p.m. for 15 minutes of pleasant entertainment sponsored by your local union.

We ask that you forward news items for publication in this paper to our office in Salinas, our office in Monterey or through Business Agents Wilkerson and Kenyon.

Bakery Division: On October 1, our bakery wagon drivers will go on a five-day week. They will have Wednesday and Sunday off. A welfare plan amounting to \$8.65 per month, paid for by the industry, covering the member, his wife and family will also go into effect. We ask for full and undivided cooperation from our entire membership and organized labor to assist our bread division in order that the five-day week may work out successfully. Please refrain from purchasing any bread that is delivered on Wednesday from any source in Monterey County.

Dempsey Hudson-Spiegel Foods, Inc.: Retroactive pay to March 1 has finally been approved by Wage Stabilization Board, ranging from three to nine cents per hour, depending on the classification. These companies are preparing back pay to members who have worked at either of these plants since March 1. Check with the above firms for your back pay.

Hollister Canning - Fairview Canning, Hollister, Calif.: You have been notified by your union of a change with respect to stamping of dues books and the issuance of receipts. Your union will no longer stamp your books, but will collect full dues books through deposit boxes at these two plants and will have your book completely stamped for you at the end of the season when you will get it back with a withdrawal stamp in it. In order to reduce expenses it is important that this is done. This is not reducing the service normally given to our members at these two plants. We ask your cooperation.

NO MEMBER WILL BE ISSUED AN HONORABLE WITHDRAWAL UNLESS HIS DUES BOOK IS DEPOSITED IN THE BOX.

C. B. Gentry, Gilroy: A box has been placed near the personnel office for the purpose of collecting all dues books. These books will be kept in proper order and will be issued to you at the end of the season with a withdrawal stamp in it. They will again be picked up when the season starts, etc. Your receipt for dues will be the deduction shown on your check for each month that you have worked. Bulletins are posted over these boxes with full instructions regarding the above.

Produce Drivers: Your union has opened the Produce Drivers Agreement, and a meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 9, with respect to wages. You will be informed as to progress through this paper.

Service Stations: We ask our members to patronize the following gas stations who employ members of our union. This is most important if we are to avail ourselves

of union services; we should in turn assist our brothers working in gas stations. Their wages, hours and conditions need improvement and we can only improve them by patronizing the stations listed:

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To All Members in Monterey, Pacific Grove, Carmel and Seaside: Meeting attendance has been falling down. We ask that our members attend all regular meetings which are held at the Carpenters Hall the second Thursday of each month.

Workmen's Compensation: The following is a brief summary of basic changes contained in 1951 legislation: A.B. 263: Amends Section 3208 of the Labor Code to include damage to dentures as an "injury" under the law and to provide damage to or destruction of eye glasses is compensable if in connection with injury lasting more than three days. Amends Sections 4452, 4453, 4458, 4460 and 4702 of the Labor Code to increase the maximum compensation for temporary disability benefits as to injuries occurring on and after Sept. 22, 1951, from \$30 per week to \$35 per week and to increase death benefits on injuries occurring after such date from \$6000 to \$7000 if there is only one surviving dependent and from \$7500 to \$8750 if there is both a surviving widow and one dependent minor child.

A.B. 543 by Gaffney: This bill adds Section 6404.1 to the Labor Code to establish a conclusive presumption that an employer is maintaining an unsafe place of employment if he allows or permits the use of inflammable or combustible material in certain gas line pressure tests.

Disability Insurance: A.B. 2078 by Dunn: This bill provides that "day" for the purpose of receipt of the \$8 per day under the Disability Insurance program while hospitalized, means any period for which a full day's rate is charged. A.B. 3376 by Geddes: This bill makes various changes in the Unemployment Disability Insurance Act providing as follows: Increases weekly maximum benefits from \$25 per week to \$30 per week. Permits payments to an individual who becomes disabled during a trade dispute so long as his disability is in no way connected with a trade dispute. Permits receipt of benefits even though an individual is receiving his regular wages provided he does not receive more than 70 per cent of his regular wages.

Unemployment Insurance: Unfortunately, there was no substantial improvement in the field of unemployment insurance but there was enacted into law a bill detrimental to the rights of the workers. A.B. 2502 by Dolwig. This bill provides that where an individual has established a first benefit year, he may not for the purpose of establishing a second benefit year, use any outstanding lag quarter earnings unless during the 12-month period following the establishment of the first benefit year he has earnings sufficient to be eligible to file a valid claim. The result of this amendment will be

When Wages Rise, Prices Don't Have To Increase Too

When wages go up, prices don't necessarily have to increase too.

In a radio talk on Sept. 7 Economic Stabilizer Eric Johnston said:

"American industry normally has an increase in productivity of about 2 per cent a year—and some years much more."

"This means that a large part of wage increases—assuming that the cost of living goes up, and that this means further wage adjustments—should be absorbed without being

reflected in prices."

Discussing the need for higher wages—because of higher prices caused by the weak price control law—Johnston says:

"If we held labor down and prevented workers from getting wage increases to match the rises in the cost of living brought about by weak or inadequate price controls, the chances are that we would lose rather than gain as a result of an unjust wage policy."

Johnston reminded his audience that "in every case before the wage

board for increases that break policy lines, management—by itself or jointly with labor—has requested us to approve higher wages."

"I hope that my business friends will ponder this when they feel like sounding off on wage stabilization," Johnston adds.

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ARE YOU A VICTIM?

Hearings Reveal Food Poisoning to Boost Profit

By AL SESSIONS

For some time many Americans have felt uneasy about the widespread use of chemical preservatives, "softeners," "extenders" and other "additives" in foods—also about the wholesale use of poison sprays on fruits and vegetables. Recently Congress finally got around to the job of making a detailed inquiry. A report of some 800 pages of the initial hearings of the House Select Committee to Investigate the Use of Chemicals in Food Products is now available to the public. For a copy of this eye-opening report, write to Representative James J. Delaney, chairman of the committee, Washington, D. C., for "Chemicals in Food Products."

Any fair-minded person has to admit that modern mass production and distribution of food in the United States is a marvel of efficiency and ingenuity. What is not generally realized is that many of our basic foods are devitalized through processing and that hundreds of chemical preservatives and additives are being used on a mass scale without determining whether these are injurious to the human system.

The hearings in Washington produced some sensational revelations that certainly buttress the contention that the present Food and Drug Act should be amended to require that before any chemical additive may be used in food products the processor must furnish proof that it is harmless. Legislation to amend the law has been introduced and the hearings are intended to bring out evidence pro and con.

The Food and Drug Administration lists 704 chemicals which are being used in our regular food supply, and only 428 of these are known to be safe. This means that 276 of these have not been proved harmless, and it is quite possible that we are slowly being poisoned by some of them!

Some of these improperly tested chemicals can be either acutely or chronically toxic (poisonous). To quote Congressman Delaney:

"Not long ago a frozen-food packer was told that his new shipment of peaches would stay bright and fresh-looking if he added a touch of thiourea. He tried it. The chemical worked a miracle of freshness and coloring. The shipment went out. Another frozen-peach firm did the same thing. Before shipping out its product, however, it invited the local Food and Drug Administration inspectors to test the food. Samples were fed to experimental rats. Within a few hours they all died!"

"By merest chance the inspectors

Recognize AFL's Role in Free World

(State Fed. Release)

Recognition of the AFL's support of the international program of the Economic Cooperation Administration was given officially at the 70th convention of the labor body, when AFL President William Green was presented with an award of merit in San Francisco's Civic Auditorium by William H. Joyce Jr., assistant administrator of ECA.

In his address to the convention, Joyce made particular reference to the AFL's fight against slavery, its historic interest in free trade unions, and its efforts to bring all workers a more abundant life.

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then learned of the first packer's shipment. From that moment on, there took place as exciting and dramatic a chase as ever thrilled a Hollywood film audience. And this time the stakes were more than the price of an admission. They were the lives of thousands of men, women and children. Fortunately, the episode had a happy ending. All of the peaches—still bright and still deadly—were intercepted before they could be eaten by unsuspecting American families.

"But other episodes have not ended so happily. Several years ago a salt substitute was put on the market for use by people on a low-salt diet. It contained lithium chloride, a chemical whose effect had been only superficially tested. Three persons died before the salt could be withdrawn from the market.

"These instances point up a blunt fact: Our food supply is being doctored by hundreds of new chemicals whose safety has not yet been established. Many of these chemicals were developed during and after the war. Most of them may prove harmless, but enough have been proved dangerous, and even deadly, to make us wonder if our health is threatened."

The question naturally arises: "Why should such chemicals be used in food at all?"

WHY IT IS DONE

Because, from the manufacturer's or processor's point of view, they are cheaper than natural ingredients, they make foods last longer, they help to "blend" ingredients, they keep things "soft," and they produce colors with more customer eye-appeal. During the last several years, commercial bakers have been able to cut use of shortening by 50 per cent by substituting synthetic chemical "emulsifiers." This is partly the fault of the housewives who insist on bread that is super-white and super-soft. Although its use has been abandoned, for some 25 years a product called Agene (nitrogen trichloride) was almost universally used to "quick-age" the flour. Then an English chemist discovered that bread made from this flour caused epileptic fits in dogs! Maybe it would not affect humans in any such fashion, but the fact remains that its effect on humans was never adequately tested. It is entirely possible that consumption of aged bread led to chronic toxicity.

Today, huge quantities of "bread softeners" are used—over 10 million pounds in 1949. They are often used as substitutes for milk, butter, eggs and oils. To date, there is no proof that these chemicals are harmless.

Congressman Delaney declares: "This potentially lethal situation is due to a curious loophole in our present laws—a tragic legal joker that permits us to become a nation of 150 million guinea pigs guilelessly testing out chemicals that should have been tested adequately before they reached our kitchen shelves. Doctors testifying before the House committee have stated that there may be some connection between these new chemicals and the increase of such diseases as cancer, polio and the mysterious virus X."

Up to about 10 years ago the use of such chemicals in food was comparatively infrequent. But since World War II the introduction of these agents into our food supplies has been done on a tremendous scale.

Here are more instances of what

can happen to us: In Massachusetts not long ago a brewery decided to use hydrofluoric acid in its beer to eliminate the cost of sterilization. This chemical is a dangerous poison. Before the government could stop it, this beer had been sold all over the United States! An Indiana manufacturer decided to eliminate butter from his popcorn product, and substituted mineral oil. Mineral oil, while it has its uses, nevertheless interferes with absorption of Vitamin A and the chronic effect on children especially could be serious.

In recent years poultry producers have been injecting a synthetic hormone called stilbestrol into the necks of male chickens so they'll add weight abnormally fast. No one knows what this does to people who eat the meat, but this much is known: Necks of such chickens fed to minks made the creatures sterile!

Lots of popular soft drinks, including the cola beverages, use phosphoric acid. Experiments at the Naval Medical Research Institute demonstrated that a human tooth put in soft drinks containing this chemical lost its enamel and became soft in 24 hours!

New chemicals are being injected into our meats in general, and few are known to be harmless. The widespread use of DDT in dusting crops often results in poisoning. Why? The residue stores itself in the fat of the body and often has a serious effect on the liver. The Texas Research Foundation has shown that the degree of DDT contamination in fat meat ran as high as 69 parts per million. Other tests have shown that as little as 5 parts per million will produce liver injuries in rats!

Many dangerous insecticides that get on our fruits and vegetables are being widely used by growers. Unless you thoroughly scrub such products it is almost impossible to get all the poison spray residue off. Sometimes they even get through thick peelings. Chlordane, used all over the country, is from 4 to 5 times more poisonous than DDT. Some 80 million pounds of poisonous arsenical sprays are used in the country every year. When you eat your apple a day, you MAY not be keeping the doctor away!

The American Federation of Labor has taken an official stand, through its Legislative Committee member, George D. Riley, in favor of proposed legislation to put teeth into the present Food and Drug Act to halt the practice of making guinea pigs out of people. Writing to Chairman Delaney, Riley said:

"The American Federation of Labor . . . is vitally interested in the purposes of the inquiry now current in your committee. The AFL has heard on occasions that charges have been made that adulterants of one sort or another have been introduced into various kinds of foods. These have included bread, ice cream mixes and other types of products . . . It seems to me that your committee has been assigned an extremely important and wide field in which to function. If putty or plaster of paris or any other 'stretcher' or substitutes are permitted unwittingly to go into our stomachs . . . then we hope everyone can be informed of the names of the offenders."

It must be remembered, however, that it takes a long time to get through new legislation protecting the consumer. It took five years to get the last amendment to the Food and Drug Law. Unless the people are aroused, it may take another five years to get the proposed changes adopted. Meantime more and more chemicals will be introduced into food, more and more poisonous sprays will be used as insecticides. And five years of consuming some that may not be harmless may cause irreparable damage to the nation's health!

CALIFORNIA AFL VOTES MILITANT LLPE PROGRAM

By JOHN F. HENNING
San Francisco Correspondent,
AFL News Service

San Diego, Calif.—Internal harmony and strong ambitions for intensified political action featured the Golden Anniversary convention of the California State Federation of Labor.

The mammoth one-million member state AFL organization returned all incumbent officers without a contest. President Thomas L. Pitts of the Los Angeles Teamsters and 24 vice presidents were unanimously re-elected.

C. J. Haggerty, secretary-treasurer and executive officer of the Federation, was not up for re-election since his present two-year term does not expire until the 1952 convention. The convention boosted the secretary-treasurer's salary from \$1000 to \$1500 per month.

The state AFL policy program, hammered out in four days of floor discussion, called for militant political action, strong price and rent controls, voluntary recruitment of manpower for mobilization, wage increases for all workers to match rises in the cost of living, repeal of the Taft-Hartley law, prepaid health insurance, elimination of the cross-filing system now imposed on political candidates in California, adoption of FEPC legislation on federal, state, and local levels, and support of U. S. Foreign Policy as opposed to Soviet imperialism.

The convention determination to remain in the political arena was voiced not only in the unanimously adopted statement of policy on political action, but also in the militant speech of William McSorley Jr., assistant director of Labor's League for Political Education.

In another key speech, Assistant Secretary of Labor Ralph Wright predicted the Truman administration would carry on the Fair Deal

fight for a better economic and social order as well as continue its battle against Communist aggression in the international sphere.

While the delegates voted unanimous support of the national mobilization effort, they insisted that equality of sacrifice and full labor partnership in the administration program must identify the war effort.

The convention declared the 1951 Defense Production Act "inadequate and inequitable," and warned that strong price and rent controls were needed in an era of soaring prices and frozen wages.

In a human interest highlight, the three winners of the State Federation's first annual scholarship cost were presented to the delegates and received a thunderous ovation. The three talented high school graduates will each receive \$500 awards to advance their college education. All three came from trade union families. The contest was open to senior students in the public and private high schools of California.

Winners were Carolyn Wood of San Jose, Robert Edwards of Hayward, and Merrill Francis of Los Angeles.

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Teachers 1020 Picks Officers; Big Picnic Held

A new president was elected by Monterey County Teachers Union 1020 at its September meeting in Salinas, according to Corresponding Secretary Fred Clayson, who was retained in this post and also as editor of "The Monterey County Teacher", official publication of the union.

Elected president to succeed Don Thompson was Russ Mesner. Other officers elected include Vice President Pete McLennan, Treasurer Albert Lukavich, Recording Secretary Mrs. Florence Lewis, Labor Council Delegates Don Thompson and Fred Clayson, and Grievance Committee Member Virginia Gilbert.

The Teachers Union had a gala wiener roast and picnic on the evening of September 17 at Sherwood Park, with games for young and old. Members, wives and husbands, children and special guests made up the party. Pete McLennan was picnic chairman.

Clayson reports that there is a closer relationship this year between the union and school administration leaders. He mentioned that School Superintendent Ching, High School Principal Sewell and Assistant Principal Conway Spitzer had been very co-operative. School board members have welcomed union representatives at meetings, also.

Next meeting of Local 1020 was called for 7:30 p.m. Monday, October 15, in Room 9 of Salinas Union High School.

Wood Elected To Industrial Group Board

R. A. Wood, president of the Monterey County Central Labor Union at Salinas, has been elected to the board of directors of the county Industrial Development Committee. He served as a director of the preliminary group, which now has formed a permanent organization.

By-laws of the industrial body have been drafted and approved, with all contributing to the industrial fund getting votes on important matters. Incorporation moves have been started also. The Central Labor Union contributes monthly to the committee fund.

Peter A. Andrade, secretary of General Teamsters Union 890, also is on the industrial committee board, with Local 890 also among contributors.

Some Sardines

Fishing boats off the coast near Morro Bay have found quantities of sardines, some of which are being sent to Monterey plants for processing, union official report. There have not been enough fish to provide employment for all union fish cannery workers, however, it was announced. Several plants are working on anchovies and tuna, also.

Foster at Parley

Harry Foster, business agent of Sheet Metal Worker Union 304 of this area and also secretary of the Monterey County Building Trades Council, was in Las Vegas, Nev., last week end, attending the annual convention of the California State Council of Sheet Metal Workers, held in the Nevada city in an effort to bolster the craft in that locality. Foster was due back this week.

XMAS PARTY DANCE SLATED FOR NOV. 10

Arrangements have been completed for the benefit dance of the A. F. of L. Kiddies Christmas Party Committee at the Salinas Armory on Saturday night, Nov. 10.

In order to offer an attractive evening, price of tickets has been cut to \$1 for men, with ladies free. An eight-piece orchestra will play for the dance.

Officers of the Central Labor Council at Salinas, which puts on the parties each year for youngsters of the area, said that the benefit dance this year is generally a formality, inasmuch as fund raising campaigns for the party have been successful already.

The Christmas party will be held the Saturday night before Christmas at Salinas High School Auditorium, with a vaudeville show, refreshments, gifts and fun for all youngsters. Because of the crowd, parents usually are asked to leave their children and call back for them later.

Granite Starts Valley Road Job

Workmen of the Granite Construction Co. of Watsonville started work on the reconstruction of the Carmel Valley road last week, taking over the job where the Nevada Construction Co. had left off after some difficulties.

A number of workmen employed by the Nevada Construction Co. have checks coming for time worked, these checks due to have reached them last week end. Included were four laborers, five engineers and three teamsters.

Officials of unions involved said that any member who had not received wages for work under the Nevada company should contact the union offices at once so claims can be traced.

Building Body Voting Thursday On Capita Tax

Proposal for reduction of per capita tax for the Monterey County Building & Construction Trades Council will be voted upon at this Thursday night's meeting in Monterey, it was reported last week.

The proposed reduction is from the current rate of 25 per cent of a journeyman's hourly pay per member to 10 per cent of the hourly rate, or to a flat 25 cents per member per capita.

All delegates were urged to be present to take part in the per capita tax cut, made possible by decision not to have a full time business agent for the council for the present.

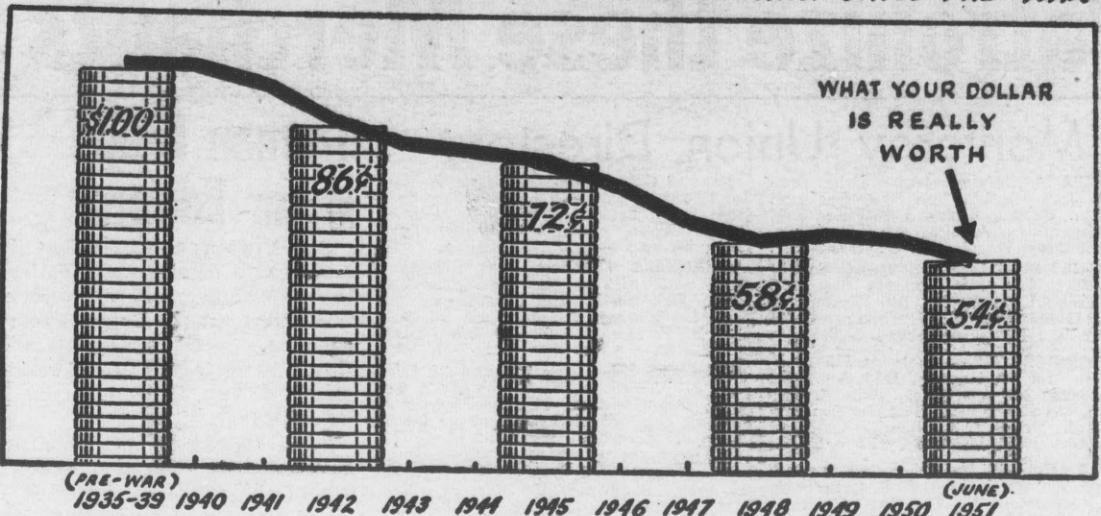
Carp. Council Meets Tuesday

Regular meeting of the Monterey Bay District Council of Carpenters will be held in Santa Cruz Veterans Hall next Tuesday evening. Santa Cruz Local 829 is host but has not announced any plans for entertaining delegates at the meeting.

Clark Nominated For C. of C. Board

Secretary A. J. Clark of the Central Labor Council at Salinas has been nominated for possible election as a member of the executive board of the Salinas Chamber of Commerce. He was selected as nominee of the labor council at a recent meeting. Election results will be announced later.

PURCHASING POWER OF DOLLAR CUT ALMOST IN HALF SINCE PRE-WAR



—AFL Labor's Monthly Survey
Production Act already passed and the soak-the-poor-tax-law the 82nd Congress is drafting.

Bad Vote List Is Headed Up By Knowland

(State Fed. Release)

Labor's League for Political Education this week gave delegates to the 70th AFL convention in San Francisco the low-down on members of the 82nd Congress.

In a 22-page brochure issued to all delegates, the League exposed the voting records of the Senators and Congressmen on 10 test issues, dating from June, 1949, through July, 1951.

Senator William Knowland of California voted against labor nine out of ten times, while Senator Richard Nixon voted wrong five out of eight times since his election in November of 1950.

California Congressmen with perfect voting records are John F. Shelley (D., 5th District), former president of the state AFL; Clyde Doyle (D., 18th District); Franck R. Havenner (D., 4th District); Chet Holifield (D., 19th District); Cecil R. King (D., 17th District); George P. Miller (D., 6th District);

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San Francisco. — The 44th convention of the AFL Building and Construction Trades branded the "Construction Men's Association" dual unionism and called on members of AFL unions employed on overseas bases to seek settlement of their problems through their respective AFL unions.

The Construction Men's Association claimed department support and is attempting to organize building and construction workers employed by U. S. contractors on outlying and overseas bases. James H. Dillon is president of the association.

The convention called on publications of AFL unions affiliated with the Building and Construction Trades Dept. to publicize this action. The convention resolved as follows:

"The delegates to this convention are opposed to this form of dual trade unionism as advocated by the Construction Men's Association.

"The Construction Men's Association does not merit the support of the Building and Construction Trades Department.

"The publications of the affiliated organizations (should) devote some space to drawing to the attention of those men working on overseas bases that they should apply through their respective organizations for adjustment of any complaints they are experiencing in the employ of contractors on overseas and outlying bases."

Store Job Starts

Three union carpenters and a half dozen union laborers were called by the contracting firm of Trewhitt, Schield and Fisher, of Fresno, to start work last week on a new Safeway super market on Sanborn Road, near Salinas, according to officials of Carpenters Union 925 and Laborers Union 272 of Salinas.

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